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TRANSMEMBRANE  
POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC  
ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 30, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application (Paper No./Mail Date 20040624), please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed requesting a Petition for Extension of Time for three months with necessary fees.

Attached herewith is pages 355-356 of PCT publication, WO 00/53756, corresponding to PCT application, PCT/US00/04341, in support of Applicants' priority claim.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 11 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.